

PROJECT: Midnite Mine Remediation REPORT NO: 2021-16

OWNER: Newmont/Dawn Mining OPERATOR: Newmont/Dawn Mining

### SUMMARY OF WORK ACTIVITIES OR EVENTS FOR THIS REPORTING PERIOD:

This weekly report provides a summary of Midnite Mine Site (Site) remediation action (RA) construction activities, quality assurance (CQA), quality control (CQC) and engineering activities for the period July 9 – 15, 2021. The Site activities discussed in this weekly report include, but are not limited to: Site Health, Safety, and Security; Community Liaison, Project Meetings, Regulatory Oversight, Site Visitors; Site Mobilization; RA Activities; Project Documentation; and Site Inspections.

The project SharePoint site includes the Project documentation discussed in this report. Access to the project SharePoint site is available at the following link: (b) (6)

# SITE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND SECURITY

MIDNITE MINE HEALTH & SAFETY SUMMARY: Reporting Period July 9 – 15, 2021								
FIRST AID INJURY	0	PROPERTY DAMAGE	0					
MEDICALLY TREATED INJURY	0	NEAR MISS INCIDENT	0					
RESTRICTED WORK INJURY	0	RADIATION PROTECTION PLAN (RPP) – ISSUES REPORTED	0					
LOST TIME INJURY	0							
Comments: There were no incident for this week.								

# **COMMUNITY LIAISON**

- Community notifications continue to be sent to Mr. Sherwood for site equipment deliveries and WTP Solids transport.
- STOI Burn Ban and Hoot Owl resolution 2021-377 effective July 1, 2021 Construction activities for Midnite Mine may continue past the 13:00hr out-of-the woods restriction.

# PROJECT MEETINGS, REGULATORY OVERSIGHT, AND SITE VISITORS

# **Weekly Progress Meeting:**

The following stakeholders attended the Weekly Construction Progress meeting via a conference call on Wednesday, 14 July 2021 at 10:00;

- EPA
- Spokane Tribe of Indians
- Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
- Dawn Mining Company (DMC)/Newmont
- WME
- AJAX
- Stantec

### **Meeting Action Items:**

• As the EPA requested, the slide of initial Final Status gamma survey results for the South Construction Support Zone and Pit 4 Overburden Upper Area was emailed to the EPA on 14 July.



### **EPA Plan/Document Approvals:**

• EPA provided verification of continued acceptability for off-site disposal of the water treatment plant sludge on 15 July.

## **Regulatory Site Visit(s):**

Mark Fillius, USACE, was on Site on 12-15 July.

## REMEDIAL WORK ACTIVITIES

#### Construction:

During the week of July 9 - 15, 2021, the following activities were conducted:

- Newmont excavated, hauled and placed low activity/low reactivity material from the west side of the South Waste Rock Pile (SWRP), the Pit 4 Overburden Pile and the South Construction Support Zone (CSZ). Newmont placed these materials in the Pit 4 Waste Containment Area (WCA).
- Newmont extended the west Infiltration Collectors in Pit 4.
- Newmont installed a section on the Pit 4 Dewatering Risers.
- SLV Earthmovers continued crushing and screening material from the Hillside Waste Rock Pile (HSWRP) to produce Drain Gravel, Liner Bedding and Geomembrane Bedding Material. Newmont hauled these materials to stockpile locations designated in the 2021 Crushing and Stockpiling Work Plan (Stantec, 2021). Estimated quantities of materials produced are presented in Table 1.
- Collection of Quality Control samples from the crushing and screening operation continued with samples
  of Drain Gravel, Liner Bedding, and Geomembrane Bedding Material submitted to Budinger and
  Associates for gradation analysis. The sample of Liner Bedding material did not meet project
  specifications. Stantec is currently evaluating the liner bedding material represented by the sample.
- Stantec performed Method 9 visible emissions observations at the crushing and screening operation on the HSWRP on 9 July. Visible dust from the crushing operation conformed with project requirements.
- Newmont welded 10-inch HDPE pipe for the Pit 3 dewatering system.
- WME and Nile Environmental performed the final status gamma survey of the upper Pit 4 Overburden Pile and to extend the South Construction Support Zone survey area to the toe of the SWRP.
- Hi-Tech Rockfall scaled the walls of Pit 3 outside the areas protected by wire mesh drapery and attenuator systems.
- Newmont and Electrotech Solutions continued commissioning of the South Pond Pump Station.
- Halme Construction installed the effluent pipeline between Stations 14+63 and 34+55.
- Halme Construction continued clearing and grubbing the effluent pipeline alignment along the New Access Road and Blue Creek Road.
- Halme Construction continued hauling bedding material for the effluent pipeline and staging the material along the New Access Road.

Table 1 - 2021 Production Estimates

	Rep	orting Perio	d	Υ	Annual			
Material	Planned Production (yd³)	Estimated Volume <sup>1</sup> (yd <sup>3</sup> )	ume <sup>1</sup> Planned Produ		Estimated Volume <sup>1</sup> (yd³)	% of Planned	% Complete	
Haulage to Pit 4								
SWRP	17,919	50,876	284%	365,697	555,548	152%	73%	
HSWRP	1,511	0	0%	28,534	2,828	10%	4%	



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Pit 4 Overburden	11,760	11,004	94%	138,880	308,756	222%	92%
CSZ Cleanup	417	2,044	491%	750	28,700	3827%	574%
Total	31,607	63,924	202%	533,861	895,832	168%	77%
Aggregate Prod	luction <sup>2</sup>						
Drain Gravel	8,500	9,027	106%	132,600	100,516	76%	33%
Liner Bedding	0	800		9,250	9,414	102%	102%
Geomembrane Bedding	8,500	8,424	99%	132,600	103,566	78%	27%
Total	17,000	18,251	107%	274,450	213,496	78%	31%

<sup>1 -</sup> Truck load assumed to be 27 yd3

### **Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)**

 Halme Construction continued to install silt fence as needed along between West End Road and Blue Creek Road and along Blue Creek Road.

## Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure Activities (SPCC)

None.

### **Equipment Mobilized/Demobilized and Material Delivered**

The following equipment was mobilized to the Site during this reporting period.

• Halme Construction mobilized an excavator, a dozer, and a water truck.

The following equipment was demobilized from the Site during this reporting period.

• Halme Construction demobilized a dozer.

All project owned non-road diesel equipment on Site is US-EPA Tier 4 compliant. On-site rental equipment and subsequent deliveries of rental equipment may be less than Tier 4 and will be assessed at the time of delivery.

## **Materials:**

The following material was delivered to the Site during this reporting period.

- Pipe bedding material for effluent pipeline.
- Coir Mat erosion control blanket

# **CONSTRUCTION QUALITY ASSURANCE**

### **Dust Control and Monitoring**

Eight dust monitors operated on site at the locations and for the time intervals listed in Table 2 below. There were three exceedance events above the TSP action level (>260  $\mu$ g/m³) during this time-period. The first event was on Monday (7/12/2021) at sampler ES-7 and was due to dry, dusty site conditions. TSP concentrations ranged from 265 to 293  $\mu$ g/m³ and lasted for approximately 45 minutes. The second event started on Tuesday (7/13/2021) and continued through Wednesday (7/15/2021) for all samplers and was due to smoke from local area and

<sup>2 –</sup> Aggregate production volumes adjusted for volume surveyed on 30 Jun 2021.



regional fires. The third event occurred on Thursday (7/15/2021) at sampler ES-7 and was attributed to dust from the crushing and screening operations at the HSWRP. The TSP concentration peaked at 262 µg/m³ and lasted for approximately 5 minutes. Both of the two mine site water trucks (4,000 and 9,000 gallon capacity) and the effluent pipeline water tuck (4,000 gallon capacity) were utilized as needed for dust suppression.

Table 2 - TSP Dust Monitoring Locations during reporting period July 9 - 15, 2021

			Status						
Monitor ID	Location Description	Start Date	Fri	Sat	uns	Mon	Tue	рәм	Thurs
ES-1 (stationary)	Midnite Mine Top of Pit 4	03/23/21	D/N			D/N	Е	Е	D/N
ES-2 (stationary)	Midnite Mine Southeast Boundary	03/23/21	D/N			D/N	Е	Е	D/N
ES-3 (stationary)	Midnite Mine West Boundary	03/23/21	D/N			D/N	Е	Е	D/N
ES-4 (roving)	Northeast Side of the SCSZ	04/16/21	D/N			D/N	Е	Е	D/N
ES-5 (roving)	Northeast of the Mid-SWRP	03/24/21	D/N			D/N	Е	Е	D/N
ES-6 (roving)	East of HSWRP above High Road	03/23/21	D/N			D/N	Е	Е	D/N
ES-7 (roving)	Northeast of HSWRP at Pit 4	03/23/21	D/N			D/N	Е	Е	D/N
ES-8 (stationary)	NAR ~Station 14+00	06/29/21	D/N			D/N	Е	Ε	D/N

D=Day Shift (6:00 am to 4:30 pm)

N=Night Shift (4:00 pm to 2:30 am)

E=Environmental conditions (fog, smoke, pollen, heavy rain, etc.)

O=Off - Special Circumstances

\* Equipment malfunction (Battery/Power Supply or Other)

### **Project Documentation**

Project CQA-CQC Field Acceptance Forms, Engineering Change Notices (ECNs), Design Clarification Notices (DCNs), Non-Compliance Notifications (NCNs), Requests for Information (RFIs), Submittals, and Other Items received during this time-period are shown in the table below:

### **CQA Documentation**

CQC-CQA Fiel	d Acceptance Forms		
Acceptance No.	Title		CQC-CQA Issue Date
2021-13	West Infiltration Collection Channel (WICS) – 11) Subgrade Inspection	Finger Drain 2 (Section	
Project DCNs			
DCN No.	Title	Submittal Date	EPA Response Date
None			
Project ECNs	·		
ECN No.	Title	Submittal Date	EPA Response Date
2021-01	Monitoring and Control of Phreatic Levels in the South Pond Embankment  Mine Site	3/19/2021	Conditional Approval Received on 5/11/2021 Summary Report
	Dewatering well pump test was conducted on Friday (5/28/2021).		Received by CQA on 7/14/2021 – Stantec to Forward to the EPA
	EPA Comments – <b>Provide a summary</b> report of findings with a final plan for dewatering. If dewatering is necessary, include a schedule for dewatering.		EPA TBD



2021-02	Modifications to Pit 3 Underdrain and Dewatering Sumps Mine Site  Stantec to Prepare Response to EPA Comments (EPA to send any additional comments by 7/15/2021).	6/8/2021	EPA Approval 7/13/2021  Stantec to provide responses to EPA's previous comments
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NNC No. and Dates	Title/Description	CQA	CQA/EPA Response Date(s)
None			
Project RFIs			
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RFI No. HC-2021-05	Title   Use of Low-Pressure Air Test Instead of	CQC Submittal Date 6/7/2021	<b>Date(s)</b> CQA – 7/1/2021
HC-2021-05	Hydrostatic Test  Effluent Pipeline	6/7/2021	EPA Approval Received 7/15/2021 with Caveats:
	Engineer's Response Received 6/17/2021	6/17/2021	1. Follow ASTM F1417-11a 2. For Gravity Pipeline Only
HC-2021-06	NAR Lead-Off Crossing and Pipeline Alignment Adjustment Effluent Pipeline	6/17/2021	CQA – 7/1/2021 <b>EPA - TBD</b>
	Design Engineer's Response Received 6/29/2021 EPA Comments Received 7/14/2021 – Stantec Preparing Responses		
HC-2021-07	Alignment Offset Variance Request for Area South of West End Road Effluent Pipeline  Design Engineer's Response Received	6/17/2021	CQA – 7/6/2021 EPA Approval Received 7/13/2021
	6/29/2021		
HC-2021-08	Use of Native Materials for Bedding Source Effluent Pipeline	6/29/2021	CQA – 7/14/2021 <b>EPA – TBD</b>
	Waiting for Response Based on Input by STOI – Brian Crossley on Site Tuesday (7/6/2021) – Stantec to Prepare Response based on Results of the Site Walk		
2021-05	June 2, 2021 Liner Bedding Gradation Test Results Mine Site	7/6/2021	CQA – 7/13/2021 <b>EPA - TBD</b>
Submittals			
Submittal No.	Title	CQC Submittal Date	CQA/EPA Response Date(s)
HC-01575-02.1	Addendum to SPCC – Fuel Tanks Effluent Pipeline	6/10/2021	CQA – 6/14/2021 <b>EPA - TBD</b>
	EPA returned with Comments – Discuss with EPA – Sherm to Review for Resolution		
	Halme to apply for the EPA Tier 1 Qualified Plan and Resubmit		



HC-02593-01.1	Engineered Manhole Drawings Effluent Pipeline  Stantec Received: Stamped Structural Calculations, Manufacturer's Certs and Traffic-Rated Concrete Pad Design on 6/23/2021 and approved with comments on 6/28/2021	6/15/2021	CQA - 7/1/2021 <b>EPA Approval</b> <b>Received 7/10/2021</b>
HC-02200-01.1	Gradation Samples for Top/Base Course Effluent Pipeline	6/17/2021	CQA – 6/21/2021 <i>EPA Approval</i> <i>Received 7/13/2021</i>
02272-15	South Pond Geomembrane – 2021 Liner Repairs Mine Site Waiting for Additional Data from NW Linings- 7/16/2021	6/21/2021	CQA – TBD EPA - TBD
HC-02593-01.1	Rings and Lids for Manholes  Effluent Pipeline  On Hold – Waiting for New Design on Rings and Lids	6/24/2021	CQA – TBD EPA - TBD
HC-02200-03.2	Native Screen Bedding Sample Analysis Effluent Pipeline  Gradation Under Review by Design Engineer – Rejected as Out-of-Spec. for Bedding Material  Material to be Used as Trench Backfill – Waiting for Proctor Curve	6/24/2021	CQA – TBD EPA - TBD
02970-08	Temporary Erosion Seed Mix as Installed on June 30, 2021 Mine Site	7/6/2021	CQA – TBD EPA - TBD
01300-05	South Pond Vibrating Wire Piezometer – Product Sheets and Calibration Certs.  Mine Site	7/7/2021	CQA – TBD EPA - TBD
02272-16	South Pond Liner Repair Data for June 8 through July 1, 2021 Mine Site	7/7/2021	CQA – TBD EPA - TBD
HC-02200-04	Bedding Sand Gradation Analysis (Inland NW Material) Effluent Pipeline	7/8/2021	CQA – 7/9/2021 <b>EPA Approval</b> <b>Received 7/12/2021</b>
Other Items			
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Item	Title		Comments

Copies of the updated CQA Logs are being updated and will be located on the project SharePoint site under the 2021 CQA Folder.

## **Site Inspections**

Details regarding the four-phase CQA observation/inspection process for each definable work feature are summarized below and are further detailed in the daily CQC/CQA reports that are available on the project SharePoint site.



### **Preparatory Inspections / Meetings**

FSS Briefing for SCSZ (second FSS) and Upper Overburden Pile

### **Initial Phase Inspections**

Effluent Pipeline – Ongoing equipment mobilizations

### Follow-up Phase and Ongoing Inspections

- Second South CSZ FSS Conducted
- Upper Overburden Pile FSS Conducted
- Mine Waste Placement in Pit 4 Low activity/low reactivity material from the SWRP, Middle Overburden Pile and South CSZ materials placed no restrictions on placement.
- Pit 3 Dewatering Pipe Pipe welds/reports for 10-inch DR11 HDPE Pipe
- Dust Monitoring System Tracking site-wide alerts and alarms
- Effluent Pipeline Trenching, bedding and backfill
- Effluent Pipeline BMPs along Blue Creek Road for temporary road reconstruction
- WICS Subgrade Inspections
- South Pond Commissioning Checks
- Dewatering Risers Riser pipe extensions installed (UDS @ 300 ft. total and WRDS @ 260 ft. total)

## **Completion Inspections**

None

## THREE WEEK LOOKAHEAD SCHEDULE

A copy of the Three Week Lookahead Schedule is provided as Attachment A.

Report completed and submitted by:

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**Project Construction Director** 

#### Attachments

• Attachment A - Midnite Mine 3 Week Lookahead Schedule

Photos of pertinent items are provided below.





Figure 1 – Crushing and screening operations at the HSWRP.



Figure 2 – View of the CSZ after removal of the topsoil pile and berm along east side of the former CSZ Road, view looking southwest.





Figure 3 – Progress at Pit 4 Overburden, upper is complete, former access road is being excavated and removed.



Figure 4 – Excavation loading and hauling of material from South Waste Rockpile –Mid, view looking northeast.





Figure 5 – View of Pit 4 Overburden – Upper, showing surface generally covered in rock, with bedrock exposed at this location.



Figure 6 – Infiltration collector figure 2 with GCL installed.







Figure 8 – Effluent Pipeline – working bedding under the haunches of the pipeline





Figure p – Effluent Pipeline – Budinger and Associates technician performing nuclear density test on trench backfill.



## **ATTACHMENT A**

## MIDNITE MINE THREE WEEK LOOKAHEAD SCHEDULE



		dnite Mine RAWP - Three Week Look Ahead	Data Date: 16-Jul-21 Print Date: 16-Jul-21				
Activity ID	Activity Name	RD	% Complete	Start	Finish	Jul 11	Aug 08 Sat Sun Mon Tue Wed Thr
27-1030	Haul Drain Gravel, Stockpile (301k cy)	108d	33%	29-Mar-21 A	17-May-22		
28. Initiate	construct of the Pit#3 sump including initial construction of under	11d		03-May-21 A	30-Jul-21		
28-1250	Install rock fall protection (PH 1)	9d	80%	03-May-21 A	28-Jul-21		
28-1150	Route new temporary line from GW54 to South Pond	11d	80%	09-Jun-21 A	30-Jul-21		
28-1180	Install Pit 3 dewatering system to transfer water to South Pond (2,0	11d	30%	06-Jul-21 A	30-Jul-21		
28-1190	Route Pit #4 temporary dewatering line to South Pond	10d	0%	16-Jul-21	29-Jul-21		
28-1160	Route PCP, Blood Pool, from Pit #3 to South Pond	5d	0%	26-Jul-21	30-Jul-21		